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RESPONSE TO ELECTION OF SPECIES REQUIREMENT

Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

In response to the Election of Species requirement dated November 23, 2005, the applicant hereby elects the species designated in the requirement as Group IV and shown in Figures 16 to 24 of the present specification.

The claims readable on the elected species are claims 1, 7, 10 and 11-20. More specifically, although claims 11 to 20 are primarily directed to the embodiment shown in Figures 16 to 24, claims 1, 7 and 10 are also readable on this embodiment of the

invention. Moreover, of these claims, claims 1 and 7 are generic to all embodiments (species) of the present invention.

With the understanding that claims 1, 7, 10 and 11-20 will be examined in the first Office Action on the merits, with claims 1 and 7 being treated as generic claims, this election of Group IV is made without traverse.

An error was noticed in the Office Action Summary. Namely, the summary indicates that claims 1-24 are pending in the application and are subject to the election requirement. In fact, only claims 1 to 20 are pending in the present application. The Examiner's attention to this matter is respectfully requested.

No fees are currently due. Notwithstanding, should any fees, or deficiencies in fees, be deemed necessary in connection with this or any accompanying communication, such fees may be charged to the Attorney's Deposit Account No. 07-2519.

Respectfully submitted,



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